the post of Priincipal in Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan;

(b) what is the number of Vice-Priniciplals, general as well as SC|ST who have been promoted to the post of Principals since 1971;

(c) whether there is any back-log with regard to the promotion of SC|ST candidates; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor and afforts at clearing the same?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI CHIMANBHAI MEHTA): (a) 15 percent for Scheduled Castes and 7-1|2 percent for Scheduled Tribes, as per Government of India's instructions.

(b) 176 Vice-Principals belonging to General Category have been promoted to the post of Principal since 1971. No SC|ST Vice-Principals have been promoted to the post of Principal.

(c) and (d) According to Government of India instructions, for posts to which promotions are made by selection, there is no provision for carry forward of reserved vacancies. Vacancies reserved for SC and ST under promotion quota lapse if there are no SC|ST candidates available for promotion. The posts of Principals in the Kendriya Vidalaya Sangathan are posts for which promotions are made by salection. Hence, the question of backlog of reserved vacancies of Principals and efforts to clear the same by promotion does not arise.

Hostel employees of K.V.S.

1618. SHRI ISH DUTT YADAV:

SHRI PRAVAT KUMAR SAMANTARAY:

DR. R. K. PODDAR:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to refer to answer to Unstarred Question 1788 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 27th March, 1990 and state:

(a) whether it is a fact that there are some employees working in hostels of Kendriya Vidyalaya for the last ten years or more uninterruptedly who have recently been labelled as daily wages;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether they have not been regularised so far as provided for Minimum Wages Act and other Acts;

(d) if so, the reasons therefor;

(e) whether these employees have been clamouring for redressal of their grievances; and

(f) if so, what is the reaction of Government thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI CHIMANBHAI MEHTA): (a) to (f) Certain staff engaged in hostels viz. Head Cook, Cook, Masalchi, Sweeper are not regular Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan employees and are paid out of hostels funds viz. establishment charges collected from students. The question of their regularisation does not arise. However, they are entitled to the protection and other benefits available under the Minimum Wages Act and other labour laws applicable to them.

Until recently, these person were being paid a consolidated monthly wage. A representation from the hostel staff of Kendriya Vidyalaya No. 1, Delhi Cantt. was examined by a committee and their wages have been raised with effect from 1.7.90 at the following rates—

(1) Head Cook	—Rs. 34.40 per day
(2) Cook	—Rs. 28.60 per day
(3) Masalchi	—Rs. 24.80 per day

In addition to wages they are entitled for free meals and lodging as usual.

The changes in rates of payment is beneficial to such staff and there has not been any change in their status.